

Golden Eagles highlight Women's History Month

Lt. j.g. Ryan Jones

Patrol Squadron Nine
Public Affairs

Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9) hit the deck plates this March to join the national observance of Women's History Month. This year's theme is "Women's Education – Women's Empowerment."

Several female Golden Eagles shared their views on women's contributions to the Navy and the maritime patrol and reconnaissance community within.

They said that seeking knowledge and experience from those who have gone before is vital. Lt. j.g. Rebecca Shaw, VP-9's Naval Aviator, said, "It's very unique and beneficial to have a squadron with so many relatively senior female officers and enlisted Sailors who have achieved a great deal in their first tour. It affords an opportunity for more junior females who may not have had many female role models while in training commands."

As of January 2012, more than 64,000 women serve in the Navy. Women comprise 15.8 percent of total officers, 4.8 percent of naval aviators, and 7.8 percent of naval flight officers (NFO). Women make up 16.7 percent of enlisted Sailors and more than half of female Sailors are in aviation technical ratings. A total of 95 percent of Navy billets are open to women, and women are routinely assigned to ships, submarines, afloat staffs, naval construction battalions, medical units, and aviation squadrons.

Opening fields allow women to pursue their dreams, they explained. "I knew I wanted to be an NFO my sophomore year in college as a third Class midshipman in the Boston

University NROTC program. I had many aviator advisors but I felt the tactical mission sets, the range of opportunities, and NFO point of view fit the best with my interests and personality. I am so proud of my double anchored wings and still believe an NFO is the best job in the Navy," Lt. Thea Lopez said.

First assigned to selected non-combatant ships in 1978, opportunities later expanded in 1994 to include services on combatant ships following repeal of the combat exclusion law.

Chief Aviation Electrician's Mate Mary Chesnutt said, "The Navy has taken great strides in the last 20 years, especially after 1994. In 1990, my first tour as an aviation electrician was limited to land-based squadrons because women were not allowed on combatant ships like carriers."

"We were a male and female mixed A-6 Intruder squadron from Key West, Fla. Even though the A-6 could land on carriers, our female pilots were not allowed to land on a flight deck."

"So we only participated in war games with carrier strike groups from locations like Virginia Beach, Key West and Puerto Rico. The progress today is amazing since now there are no restrictions to women in naval aviation," Chesnutt said.

Daring women in naval aviation history have cleared the way for future generations. In 1974, Lt.

Barbara Allen Rainey earned her wings, becoming the first female naval aviator. On May 12, 1993, Lt. Cmdr. Kathryn Hire was assigned to Patrol Squadron 62 (VP-62), making her the first woman to fly the P-3 Orion and to serve in a combat air squadron.

In 2003, Master Chief Beth Lambert became the first female command master chief (CMC) of an aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt (CVN 71).

VP-9 commanding officer, Cmdr. Richard Prest served with Lambert aboard the USS Roosevelt. "She was an exceptional CMC who was well respected by everyone. She was tough, fair and had a great personality – a Sailor's Sailor," Prest said.

Planning for the future is important. VP-9 Naval Air Crewman 3rd Class Nicole Miranda explained, "The opportunities are out there. I plan on serving 20 years in the Navy, and I am working on my officer package and hope to get accepted into the Seaman to Admiral 21 [STA-21] program and become an officer. As an officer I feel I can have a greater effect and make great contributions to the Navy."

"At all levels of the com-

mand, from our aviators to our most junior Sailors, our women make tremendous contributions to the mission. They're so well integrated, it's not a focal point anymore. That said, it's important to recognize how far women have come in our Navy," Prest said.

Patrol Squadron Nine (VP-9) is located at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay. The squadron is also known as the Golden Eagles and flies the P-3C Orion.

The land based P-3C is the Navy's premier long-range maritime patrol and reconnaissance aircraft (MPRA), operating from locations throughout the world. Its missions include anti-submarine warfare, intelligence surveillance reconnaissance (ISR), and anti-surface warfare.

More information can be found at the website at <http://www.vp9.navy.mil/> or on Facebook.



Big second half leads Koa Kai to runaway win

Story and photo by
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Sports Editor

The undefeated USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) intramural hoops squad Koa Kai turned a six-point deficit into a six-point lead at half-time, then outscored USS Hawaii (SSN 776) 33-8 in the second half to earn a 60-29 victory in an Afloat Division basketball game at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 17.

The win closed out a perfect regular-season campaign for Koa Kai, which amassed a spotless 8-0 record, while the Hawaii finished their schedule and season with a 3-3 mark.

For topping the Afloat Division, Koa Kai will enter this weekend's playoffs as the division's No. 1 seed.

The postseason, which will be held with first-round games on Saturday and second-round matches on Sunday, will conclude with a single championship showdown on Monday.

A total of six teams will qualify from the Blue and Gold Divisions, while the Afloat will receive four bids.

In beating Hawaii, Koa Kai continued the outstanding play that should make them one of the favorites in the postseason.

Utilizing a deep bench, Koa Kai ran often to score easy buckets, while their pressure defense held Hawaii shooters to only three baskets in the second half.

Nine Koa Kai players got on the scoreboard with Operations Specialist 3rd Charles Futch and Operations Specialist 3rd Class Byron Jones leading the way with a dozen points apiece, and Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Jacob Bigley and Electrician's Mate 2nd Class Kenneth Adams each adding nine.

Although the team had already sewed up first place going into its matchup against Hawaii, Bigley said that with the playoffs right around the corner, it wasn't the time to ease up.

"We got the playoffs next week, so we just can't be easy on any team, regardless if we're up by 10



Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Jacob Bigley, forward for USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) intramural hoops squad Koa Kai, goes up to finish off a lay-up.

or 30," Bigley said. "We're not going to be negative. We're going to be positive the whole time we're out there."

The pedal-to-the-metal attitude seemed to drive Koa Kai to come from behind, after they found themselves down by six points at 16-10 with 7:42 left in the first half.

A basket by Yeoman Seaman Courtney Sims cut the deficit to one at 19-18, before Koa Kai finally caught Hawaii and took the lead at 20-19 on two free throws by Jones.

The teams traded baskets, following the free throws, but Koa Kai full took control of the half by scoring five straight points on a basket by Adams and a trey by Futch to take a 27-21 lead into halftime.

The streak continued into the second half, as Koa Kai burst out of the break by going on a 13-0 run to take a commanding 40-21 lead.

Later, a trey from Adams would double the score at 54-27 with 4:47 on the clock.


Machinist's Mate Fireman Dylan Utley, who led Hawaii with 12 points, said that once his team fell behind, it couldn't recover due to the constant wave of Koa Kai players.

"Our starting lineup is probably our best five," Utley said. "As soon as we got tired, they (Koa Kai) had fresh players that are as good as their starters. As soon as our starters go out, we don't have anybody else that can play at that potential, so we couldn't keep up."


Following the lopsided regular-season final, Bigley said that while Afloat teams didn't play as much as squads in the Blue and Gold Divisions, he still felt confident about Koa Kai's chances in the playoffs.

The Koa Kai forward stated that if his team focuses on its strengths and not worry too much about the opposition, then it could find itself playing in the championship game.

"We don't really see the teams in the other divisions, but anybody can win on any given day," he said. "We just do our business on the court and, if we do our business, we know we're going to win every single game. We're just thinking championship. Anything less would be a disappointment."




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NIOC rolls into playoffs with rout of Hell Raisers

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Post-player Senior Airman Sean Caddell pumped in 25 points, which included five three-point goals, to lead unbeaten Team Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) to a 62-38 triumph over the Hell Raisers of Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard in a Blue Division regular-season-ending game at Hickam Fitness Center gym, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 19.

Caddell scored 14 of his points, with four out of his five treys, in the first half and followed up with 11 points in the second half to close out his outstanding night on the court.

“I was just taking what the defense gave me,” Caddell stated. “My teammates were finding me, and I was feeling pretty good today.”

The win lifted Team NIOC’s overall record to 13-0 and ushered the team into the playoffs as the Blue Division’s No. 1 seed.

“Tonight was the best game we’ve had so far, so I feel real good about us going into the playoffs,” a confident Caddell said. “We’re going to win it all.”

Against the Hell Raisers, which was fighting for the division’s final postseason berth, nothing seemed to contradict Caddell, as Team NIOC beat back every challenge to secure the overwhelming victory.

NIOC got their first lead of the night at 10-8 on a three-point basket by point guard Cryptologic Technician (Networks) 2nd Class Reauthtie Yun, while a basket by Caddell at the 10:39 mark in the first half gave the team its first double-digit lead at 18-8.

Although back-to-back treys by Seaman Bradley Jackson and Hospitalman Paul Giddens drew the Hell Raisers back to within six points at 27-21, Caddell came off the bench to nail a three-pointer just before the half to stop further damage.

After halftime, the Hell Raisers hung around and attempted one final comeback,



Team Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) Senior Airman Sean Caddell looks to slam down a dunk during a Blue Division game versus the Hell Raisers.

when a basket by Jackson cut NIOC’s lead to eight points at 41-34.

However, a basket-and-one by Caddell put the lead back up to 10 and, after a three-pointer from Cryptologic Technician (Maintenance) 3rd Class Michael Lyles raised the lead to 14 at 50-36, the rout was on.

Caddell’s final three-pointer increased NIOC’s margin to 17 at 55-38 with 4:41 left in the game.

“We thought that they (Hell Raisers) were going to give us a real challenge, but they came a little bit sluggish,” Caddell said. “We wanted to get this win and go into the playoffs strong.”

NIOC head coach Master Chief Yeoman Darrin Bobbitt said that the win over the Hell Raisers came down to what the team has been doing all season long.

“It’s energy, hard defense and team concept. That’s all I coach,” Bobbitt pointed out. “Defense, to me, wins games because you immediately go right into your offense. We got a couple of lay-ups off of fast breaks because of our defense.”

While Bobbitt acknowledged and complimented Caddell’s outstanding night on the court, the veteran coach noted that Team NIOC is more than one player – a concept that, said the coach, will be needed in the postseason.

“Some kids think they know basketball, but Sean knows basketball,” Bobbitt said. “He’s an important part of the team, but he’s just one man. Everybody on my team has a role and that’s what we teach. That’s what we started teaching back in December, and these kids have bought into the system.”

With the possibility of having its season come to a sudden halt in the playoffs, Caddell said that no one on the team is looking to take anyone lightly.

Like Bobbitt, Caddell said that in order to keep advancing forward in the postseason, everyone would have to work together and win as a team.

“We just have to keep doing what we’re doing, rely on our bench to play hard when they come in the game, and play team basketball,” he said.

Department of the Navy continues earth day theme of ‘partnering for a greener future’

Donald Schfregardus

Deputy Assistant Secretary
of the Navy (Environment)

In 2012, the Department of the Navy (DON) stands ready to build upon our remarkable track record of environmental stewardship and commitment to energy efficiency and alternative energy. Through partnerships that span the globe, the department is building a greener future by improving resource management, increasing energy efficiency and decreasing dependency on fossil fuels.

This year, a carrier strike group (consisting of a nuclear carrier, conventional ships steaming on diesel marine biofuel, and aircraft flown on a renewable jet fuel blend) in support of the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) exercise will be powered for several days by alternative fuel. Through the Defense Logistics Agency (Energy), the Navy purchased 450,000



Image courtesy of www.greenfleet.dodlive.mil

gallons of biofuel from commercial suppliers. The biofuel will be blended with petroleum-based fuel to create a 50/50 blend for both the aviation and shipboard fuels.

This federal-industry partnership is just one of many steps being taken to sustain and further develop the department’s ability to increase our energy independence, safeguard national security, and become a more sustainable Navy and nation. RIMPAC ships will also make use of energy efficiency measures. Examples include solid state lighting, a smart voyage planning decision aid and a visual, interactive “energy dashboard” to optimize fuel use.

Managing the significant and often competing demands of ocean use is a significant challenge. The National Ocean Council (NOC) was created by a presidential executive order and is charged with overseeing national policy for stewardship of the oceans, our nation’s coasts and the Great Lakes. The NOC is a partnership between the secretaries of defense, state, interior, agriculture, health and human services, commerce, labor, transportation, energy and homeland security, the administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and numer-

ous other agencies.

The Navy plays a vital part in the NOC’s pursuit of a new path for the conservation and sustainable use of our oceans our coasts and the great lakes.

The Office of Naval Research has developed and successfully tested a portable, 300-watt, solar hybrid battery generator that will reduce the amount of fuels that must be transported to Marines in the field. Known as the “ground renewable expeditionary energy system” (GREENS), the system consists of stackable 1,600-watt solar arrays and rechargeable batteries that combine to provide continuous power for Marines in

remote locations.

Every year tons of off-shore debris and trash wash up on Navy installation beaches. The Navy is partnering with the ocean conservancy in the international coastal cleanup to help eliminate beach and coastal trash. This partnership unites the department with local communities, industry, science organizations and conservation leaders who share a common goal for a healthy ocean free of trash. They are focused on removing trash and debris from the world’s oceans and waterways, identifying the sources of that debris, and changing the behaviors that allow it to reach the ocean in the first place.

The Marines, in partnership with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, continue a poster series that highlights Marine Corps initiatives to protect endangered species.

The ninth poster in the series, which focuses on the Hawaiian monk seal, also engaged NOAA and a local Hawaiian artist as partners.

The department continues its commitment to affordable environmental compliance that supports mission readiness and sustainability for current and future weapons and systems.

DON’s efforts to integrate environmental policies into acquisition are helping to achieve cleaner, safer, more energy-efficient and affordable materials, processes and technologies across the naval enterprise.

I encourage everyone to participate in the department’s drive for a greener future through partnerships. Be involved. Make a difference in 2012. Information on planning your own Earth Day events at naval installations is available at <http://1.usa.gov/GFwOW1>.

Thank you for your daily proactive efforts to protect our environment for future generations while we carry out our mission in defense of the nation.

Annual Ford Island Bridge Run to be held April 7

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host the 15th Annual Ford Island Bridge Run beginning at 7 a.m. April 7.

The 10K will start at the entrance of the Adm. Bernard “Chick” Clarey Bridge, continue across the bridge, around historic Ford Island, and back over

the bridge, ending at Richardson Field.

The bridge will be closed from 6:50 to 7:05 a.m. on April 7 due to the run. During the closure, there will not be an alternate route.

Entries received after March 19 will cost \$30. Late entries will be accepted until April 6, but no entries will be accepted on the day of the run. The race is open to runners, walkers

and strollers. No pets are allowed.

On the day of the run, limited free parking is available at Rainbow Bay Marina. Additional parking is available at the Aloha Stadium overflow parking lot, which is located across from the finish line.

Richardson Field will be open for spectators throughout the run.

Trophies will be awarded to first, second and third overall male finishers, overall female finishers, military male finishers, and military female finishers. Koa bowls will be

awarded to first, second and third finishers in the following age categories: Under 10, 10-14, 15-19, 20 -24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74 and 75-79 and 80 and older.

For more information on the run, call 473-0784, 473-2494 or 473-2437 or visit the website www.greatlifehawaii.com



Maintenance Group holds on to defeat 647 LRS

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After its final Gold Division regular-season game was played, the 15th Maintenance Group (15 MXG) joined the Afloat Division's USS Chung-Hoon (DDG 93) Koa Kai and the Blue Division's Team Navy Information Operations Command (NIOC) as the intramural basketball season's only undefeated teams, but it wasn't easy.

The MXG, which has typically blown away fellow Gold Division squads by 20 points or more, was pushed to the brink by the 647th Logistics Readiness Squadron/Code 450 (647 LRS/Code 450), but managed to pull away at the end to secure a 54-46 win at Bloch Arena, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on March 20.

The victory raised the Maintenance Group's record to an unblemished 13-0 and gave it the division's No. 1 seed in this weekend's playoffs, while the LRS will enter the postseason as the division's No. 4 seed with a 9-3 mark.

In the showdown between the two divisional top dogs, Staff Sgt. Art Gandy scored a game-high 20 points and teammate Airman 1st Class Aaron Maxwell popped in 15 to lead the MXG, while center Logistics Specialist 2nd Class Eric Cotton threw down 19 and guard Tech. Sgt. Chris Sage added 16 to pace the LRS.

"I prefer this game (than a blowout)," Gandy said following the tough matchup. "I feel like this makes us humble again. We might have gotten a big head winning all



Marine Cpl. J.R. Martin, forward for the 15th Maintenance Group (15 MXG) intramural basketball squad, finishes off a drive for two points.

those games by blowouts. We need these kinds of games to go into the playoffs."

Off and running in the first half, it seemed like another typical runaway for the MXG, which scored four quick buckets on offense and held the LRS scoreless on defense until Sage sank a basket nearly four minutes into the game.

However, after the rough start, the LRS slowly settled down and began to chip away at the MXG.

A trey and basket by Cotton on successive trips down court cut the lead down to three at 19-16 with five minutes remaining in the first half.

Then with a minute before the break, Cotton struck again on a drive to the hoop to reduce the deficit down to a basket at 25-23.

Things heated up even more after intermission, with the lead changing hands six times in the second half.

The LRS took their first lead of the game at 27-25 on a basket by Staff Sgt. Damien Scott with 14:31 left in the game, but after the two teams exchanged baskets, the MXG retook the upper hand on a basket-and-one by forward Jeremy Bass.

A soft-bouncing shot inside the lane dropped in for Cotton and a 31-30 lead by the LRS, but on the next trip down the floor, Maxwell stuck a dagger into his opponent's heart by nailing a three-pointer to put the MXG back up by two at 33-31.

Undaunted by the clutch long jumper, the LRS fought back and following a trey and two free throws by Sage, the 647

found itself ahead by three at 36-33 with 8:25 on the clock.

Still, despite being down in the second half for one of the few times this season, the MXG rose to the challenge and proceeded to mount an 11-0 run and put the game away by taking a 44-36 advantage with only 2:10 remaining in the game.

The run started on a basket by Gandy and ended on a lay-up by Marine Cpl. J.R. Martin.

"Get a few baskets, make some stops on defense, we knew that we were going to win the game," said Gandy about the team's explosive comeback.

Meanwhile, Cotton said that fatigue might have played a role in his team's loss, but the LRS big man still felt that this was a game that the 647 should have won.

"We feel good on the defensive end because they've (MXG) been beating teams by 20 or 30 points," Cotton said. "We feel good, but that's still not good to lose. We felt as though we could beat them and anybody else. We just didn't hit some shots, but those shots are going to fall the next time around. We can still compete for a championship in this league."

Although Gandy admitted that it was a close call, the post-player said that he still feels that the MXG is the team to beat as it prepares for the playoffs.

After the kind of season that he and his teammates have put together, Gandy said, failing to win the championship is not an option.

"This is a must-win situation us," he said.

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🏰 PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

A free preschool story time will be held with the theme of “nursery rhymes” from 9 to 10 a.m. March 28 at the Hickam Library. FMI: 449-8299.

🏰 YOUTH ADVENTURE SPORTS REGISTRATION

This new program will for youth ages 12 to 16 will focus on individual sports and recreation offered in Hawaii. This is a collaborative effort with the Outdoor Adventure Center and the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Fitness Centers, offering mountain biking, stand-up paddleboarding, canoeing and surfing. Register by March 30. The cost is \$120 per youth the season runs from April to June. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

🏰 MAGIC OF POLYNESIA WITH LIBERTY

See the “Magic of Polynesia” show with Liberty on March 30. This event is for single active-duty service members only. Depart Liberty Express at 3:15 p.m., Makai Rec Center at 3:45 p.m., Beeman Center at 4 p.m. and Instant Liberty at 4:15 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person. FMI: 473-2583.

🏰 HAND-POLE FISHING AND REEF WALKING

Keiki and parent hand-pole fishing and reef walking will be held from 9 a.m. to noon March 31 by Outdoor Recreation at Hickam Harbor. The cost is \$8 per person. Sign up by March 28. The event is for children ages 4 to 9. FMI: 449-5215.

🏰 PHOTO CLUB EXCURSION FOR TEENS

A photo club excursion for teens will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 31 departing from the teen center. The cost is \$5 for youth ages 13 to 18. It is not necessary for participants to have their own camera. FMI: 449-3354.

🏰 DAY HIKE AT WAIMANO POOLS

A day hike of Waimano Pools will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 31 through the Outdoor Adventure Center. The cost is \$10 per person. Sign up by March 29. FMI: 473-1198.

🏰 ANNUAL CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

Submit your original poem or short story to the Hickam Library by March 31. All submissions must be the writer’s own work and not previously published or entered in another contest. Prizes will be awarded in the following age groups: kids (ages 6 to 10 years old), teens (ages 11 to 18 years old) and adults (ages 19 and up). The awards party will be held April 14. FMI: 449-8299.

🏰 SPRINGFEST

Bring the family to celebrate Month of the Military Child during the free Springfest. The event will be held from 3 to 6 p.m. April 7 at Ward Field. FMI: www.greatlifehawaii.com.

For more information on events, visit www.greatlifehawaii.com.

Community Calendar

🏰 March

🏰 23 ~ A volunteer opportunity from Hawaii 5/6 council includes a car wash from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Hickam Commissary. FMI: Karen Castro at Karen.castro@hickam.af.mil.

🏰 24 ~ The Ms. Armed Forces Hawaii Pageant will be held at 5:30 p.m. at Mamiya Theater on the Chaminade University campus. There will be 13 contestants from different service branches competing in the pageant. Pre-sale tickets cost \$25, and tickets will be sold at the door for \$30. FMI: 955-2271.

🏰 29 ~ Naval Facilities Engineering Command Hawaii will host the third Electronic Device Recycling Event at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam from 8 a.m. to noon. It will be held between buildings 1722 and 1370 near Ward Field. FMI: http://bit.ly/yEQwu2 or call 471-8870 or email valentine.ocallaghan@dla.mil.

🏰 31 ~ All military families (authorized patrons) and their children are welcome to join the Pearl Harbor Navy Exchange (NEX) for breakfast with the Easter bunny from 8 to 9 a.m. at the NEX food court lanai. Tickets are on sale at the NEX Aloha Center Main Mall rotunda first floor. FMI: 423-3287.

🏰 31 ~ Discover your future in aviation at an event from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Pacific Aviation Museum Pearl Harbor. The event is for students and anyone interested in aviation as a career, for networking and meeting mentors. FMI: 441-1007 or visit PacificAviationMuseum.org

🏰 At a glance

🏰 Participants will be guided through the Hickam Commissary by a Tripler Army Medical Center (TAMC) registered dietitian each Tuesday in March at 3 p.m. The program is open to all commissary shoppers, and will include interactive learning activities, handouts and samples. FMI: 433-4950.

🏰 April

🏰 1 ~ The City & County of Honolulu will be conducting the monthly statewide outdoor warning siren test at 11:45 a.m. The Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam “Giant Voice” works in conjunction with Honolulu’s outdoor warning sirens and will sound a steady tone for 45 seconds.

Movie Showtimes



Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG)

The new journey begins when Sean receives a coded distress signal from a mysterious island where no island should exist—a place of strange life forms, mountains of gold, deadly volcanoes, and more than one astonishing secret. Unable to stop him from going, Sean's new stepfather joins the quest. Together with a helicopter pilot and his beautiful, strong-willed daughter, they set out to find the island, rescue its lone inhabitant, and escape before seismic shockwaves force the island under the sea and bury its treasures forever.

SHARKEY MOVIE THEATER

TODAY
7:00 PM Safe House (R)

SATURDAY
2:30 PM Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG)
4:45 PM Chronicle (PG 13)
7:00 PM Woman in Black (PG-13)

SUNDAY
2:30 PM Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG)
4:45 PM Man on a Ledge PG-13)
7:00 PM One for the Money (PG-13)

HICKAM MEMORIAL THEATER

TODAY
6:00 PM Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG)
8:30 PM Safe House (R)

SATURDAY
4:00 PM Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (PG)
7:00 PM One for the Money (PG-13)

SUNDAY
2:00 PM Chronicle (PG-13)



COMSUBPAC hosts St. Patrick's Day 5K Fun Run

Story and photo by
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Commander Submarine
Force U.S. Pacific Fleet
Public Affairs Office

FORD ISLAND, Hawaii - Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMSUBPAC) promoted the Navy's culture of fitness by hosting the fourth annual five-kilometer St. Patrick's Day Fun Run on Ford Island, March 16.

Yeoman 1st Class Joshua Golden, COMSUBPAC assistant command fitness leader, was enthusiastic about the run.

"This is a great opportunity to break away from a normal exercise routine and get out and have some fun while enhancing physical fitness" Golden said. "This is also a great way to prepare Navy service members for the upcoming physical readiness test."



More than 200 runners begin the fourth annual five-kilometer St. Patrick's Day Fun Run.

More than 200 service members, Department of Defense civilians, families and friends stationed on or around Joint Base Pearl Harbor- Hickam partici-

pated in the run which actually measured in at 5.47 kilometers.

Cmdr. Patrick Clark, a member of the COMSUBPAC Tactical Readiness

Evaluation Team, placed first overall with a time of 18:04.

Elizabeth Campbell, Team USS Hawaii, placed first in the female category with a

time of 21:08.

"This is my third time running the St. Patrick's Day Fun Run and definitely the most challenging," Clark said. "The amount

of participants here today and their motivation shows the growing interest of leading a healthy lifestyle."

No matter what their time was, all registered participants were winners, receiving a commemorative "St. Patrick's Day Fun Run" T-shirt.

The Navy is committed to fostering a culture of physical readiness that requires our Sailors to maintain a high level of physical fitness.

Physical readiness is one component of the Navy's 21st Century Sailor and Marine initiative. The initiative consolidates a set of objectives and policies, new and existing, to maximize Sailor and Marine personal readiness, build resiliency and hone the most combat-effective force in the history of the Department of the Navy.

My Favorite Photo...

Photo by Allen Unger
Allen Unger took this photo a few months ago of one of the plants at Koko Head Crater Botanical Garden.



How to submit

Do you enjoy taking pictures and have a favorite photo? Would you like to see it featured in Ho'okele? Here is your opportunity. Submissions must be from people affiliated with the military services, including active duty, family members, Reserve, retired and Department of Defense civilians, etc.

Your favorite photo can be just about anything, but keep in mind that it should be in good taste. We aren't looking for posed family shots or group shots. But if you have a photo that you think is interesting and creative, here is your chance to see it published.

Photo submissions will be reviewed by Ho'okele editors who will determine if/when they will run in the newspaper. Along with your photo, please send a little bit of information about the photo, such as where it was taken or any interesting details. Also include the name of the photographer and contact information.

Please send your photos to editor@hookelenews.com and "cc" Karen Spangler, managing editor, at karen.spangler@navy.mil and Don Robbins, assistant editor, at drobins@hookelenews.com.

Brush up on your photography skills. Ready, set, shoot!

ESO workshop to be held April 5

Navy College Office

The Navy College Office Hawaii is conducting an “ESO workshop” from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 5 in room 24 of the Navy College office, building 679.

The event is for active-duty Navy command appointed education services officers (ESO), command career counselors, and coordinators at the Navy College Program for Afloat College Education (NC-PACE).

Subject matter experts will discuss the following topics: ASVAB prep classes, tuition assistance, degree planning and SMART credits, SOCNV student agreements, NC-PACE classes, testing services, Navy COOL (Credentialing Opportunities On-Line), Troops to Teachers USMAP (Military Apprenticeship Program), GI Bill and VA education benefits.

More than 40 Sailors are expected to attend the annual event. For more information, email workshop coordinator Lawrence.d.Blackmon@navy.mil or call 473-1278.

Armed Services Blood Program to hold upcoming drives

Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center has scheduled upcoming blood drives.

As part of the Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP), the official United States military blood program, a donation serves as a vital link to military service members and their families worldwide. The drives include:

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., March 28, Joint Intelligence Operations Center (JIOC).
- 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., March 30, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam at building 2, training center for Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard.

For more information, call 433-6699 or 433-6148 or email michelle.lele@amedd.army.mil

Vickers Gate Pass and ID closed indefinitely

As of April 2, all pass and ID operations will be conducted out of Nimitz Gate pass and ID office. Vickers Gate Pass and ID will be closed indefinitely.

In addition, starting April 2, the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam security team will initiate a training program to fully merge the Navy and Air Force units.

The training will enable Air Force security forces members to work in the harbor as harbor patrol and the Navy master-of-arms to work on the flight line as flight line security.

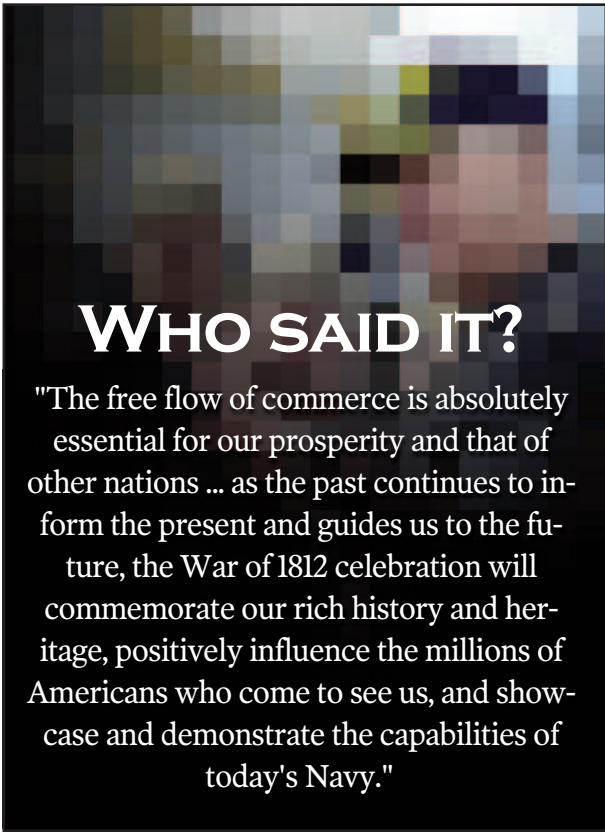
North Road lane closures expected to last through May 5

Through May 5, motorists should expect lane closures on North Road between Battleship Drive and Merry Point Landing while workers replace sewer manholes.

Signs and flaggers will alert and direct traffic through affected areas.

Affected parking stalls in the vicinity of the work area will be secured and marked prior to work start.

Motorists and pedestrians should exercise caution while transiting.



WHO SAID IT?

"The free flow of commerce is absolutely essential for our prosperity and that of other nations ... as the past continues to inform the present and guides us to the future, the War of 1812 celebration will commemorate our rich history and heritage, positively influence the millions of Americans who come to see us, and showcase and demonstrate the capabilities of today's Navy."

Last Week's

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"No guts, no glory."

Air Force Maj. Frederick Blesse



This Week's Trivia

When did the the Joint Chiefs of Staff give the United States Air Force formal and exclusive responsibility for strategic guided missiles in a basic decision on the role and mission of guided missiles?

Last Issue's Question: What did then-Secretary of the Navy Paul Hamilton write to one of his correspondents on March 8, 1812, regarding the question of war?

Answer: Secretary of the Navy Paul Hamilton, knowing that President James Madison was prepared to send information to Congress exposing the John Henry spy case, wrote to one of his correspondents that “I am of the opinion that Congress will very soon be obliged to vote on the question of war, and do hope that there will be a large majority for the measure.”